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In Re The Application of:
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For: CONTROL SYSTEM FOR A
HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCE

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Official Action dated September 27, 2001, please make the amendments set forth below. As required, clean versions of the replacement paragraphs and claims that incorporate the amendments are attached.

In the Claims:

7. The control system of claim 32 wherein said external electronic device includes means for receiving information relating to the operating status of the household [device] appliance.